Ten attend conference

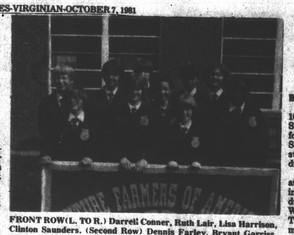
Ten officer of the Appomattox Middle F.F.A. Chapter attended the HUB Federation Leadership Conference held at Appomattox Middle School.

Chapter officers who attended included: Russell Walton-president, Lisa Harrison-vice-president, Traci Moore-chaplain, Alex Almond-Committee Chairman, Billy Carter-2nd vice-president, Dennis Farley-parliamentarian, Ruth Lair-historian, Clinton Saunders-treasurer, Carrell Conner-sentinal, Bryant Garriss-reporter.

Also attending was A. L. Wiggins, Chapter Advisor F.F.A. officers and advisors and by Richard Jones the State Sentinal.

The propose of the conference was to increase the leadership skills of Chapter F.F.A. Officers. They received instruction in the duties of their offices as well as general leadership training.

Following the sessions, the officers enjoyed a steak dinner served by the Appomattox Middle School F.H.A.



FRONT ROW(L. TO R.) Darrell Conner, Ruth Lair, Lisa Harrison, Clinton Saunders. (Second Row) Dennis Farley, Bryant Garriss, Russell Walton, Alex Almond, Bobby Carter and Traci Moore.

Students visit exhibit

On Friday, September 25, the elementary level Title I students and the third grade at Pamplin Elementary School went to Lynchburg to visit the Living History exhibit at Point of Honor museum. In addition to visiting the restored rooms at Point of Honor, the students watched an exhibit of colonial life-styles. They saw how wool was spun, dyed and woven into cloth; how food was prepared on an open fire; how candles were hand-dipped to provide light for the home.

Before leaving Lynchburg, the students also went to the City Library where a volunteer showed them the Discovery Room. The Discovery Room is a special hands-on natural history exhibit where students can touch, feel, smell and manipulate natural materials and not just look at them.

Both the Living History exhibit and the Discovery Room are projects of the Lynchburg Junior League. The Discovery Room is open every Saturday morning for children to visit on their own.

MRS. LUELLA COLEMAN'S CLASS turned into dummies for the P.T.A. meeting. Each student constructed a dummy to depict themselves. It was funny and surprising to the parents, teachers and other students. So next time come to Appomattox Elementary School for the P.T.A. meeting because if you miss a little you miss a lot.

Membership drive starts

The annual membership drive for the ACHS Athletic Boosters Club is now underway. All former members and prospective new members are urged to contact any member of the Boosters Club for their membership ticket.

Membership can be obtained by submitting $15.00 for family membership and $10.00 for individual membership to: ACHS Athletic Boosters Club, P. O. Box 368, Appomattox, Virginia 24522.

Do not delay, please sign up today!!

Bus safety cited

By FRANCES H. PAULETTE

October 4 through October 10 is National School Bus Safety Week and the 44 drivers for the Appomattox County School Division are continually striving to maintain safe driving practices.

"Bus drivers are required to attend a minimum of three in-service meetings of safety during the year," commented W. C. Perrow, Supervisor of Transportation for the Appomattox County School Division." These meetings include films and speakers on various aspects of school bus safety."

A beginning driver must have a minimum of eight hours training (actual driving) before he or she is allowed to take out a loaded bus.

Of the 44 drivers for Appomattox County, 37 are women; Margaret Harris, who has been driving for ten years had this to say, "Here in Appomattox County I think we have the best children in the state! I have talked to drivers of other counties and I really think ours are best!"

Garcon Bragg, Paul Burge, Frank Johnson and John Hudson are the oldest drivers in terms of service.

Mrs. Opal Pamplin, a driver for fourteen years, has seen a lot of changes during that time of service and when this comment, "I really appreciate those citizens who show courtesy and patience as we go about doing our daily job. All of us - drivers, thank you for realizing that we have a big responsibility and that we are human enough to make mistakes as does every licensed driver. We really thank all of you who watch out for us and help us protect our future citizens."

Mrs. Paulette pointed out that good conduct on the school bus is vital to safety in transportation and if the driver is to operate the bus with safety, an orderly atmosphere must be maintained.

She continued, "I give the parents of the students on my bus much praise for their cooperation. Most parents understand our problems and want to help us. I would like to suggest that parents get to know the driver who is responsible for transporting their children to and from school, learn the rules for student conduct on the school buses and instruct your children in proper conduct. This will make for a safer transportation system."

"The skill in performing their duties as a school bus driver, their dedication and their concern are reflected in the safety record of Virginia's pupil transportation system," said Dr. S. John Davis, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Virginia Department of Education.

Teachers' workday set for October 12

Important dates to remember - Columbus Day, Oct. 12, will be a teachers workday - a holiday for students! PTA will meet Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

The 1981-82 Litter Control Contest began Oct. 1. This year six clubs are participating. Each club has chosen an area of the school to keep clean and attractive throughout the year, competing for cash awards for club treasuries, clubs and areas are: science club-library, SCA - cafeteria, 4-H student-restrooms, Spirit Club-gymnasium and locker rooms, FFA-school grounds, FHA-main hallway. Judging will be done in May by faculty members. This contest is sponsored by the Virginia Litter Control Commission.

Menus

Appomattox Primary Menu

Mon., Oct. 12 - No School Teacher's workday

Tues., Oct. 13 - Chuck wagon pattie, creamed potatoes, green peas and carrots, roll butter, milk.

Wed., Oct. 14 - Turkey roll on bun, french fries, string beans, milk.

Thurs., Oct. 15 - Hamburger on bun, black eye peas, tang, milk.

Fri., Oct. 16 - Soup and crackers, grilled cheese sandwich, apple sauce, milk.

Appomattox Elem. Menu

Wed., Oct. 7 - Sliced ham w/roll, green peas, whipped potatoes, pineapple, milk.

Thurs., Oct. 8 - Sausage patties, lima beans, hot rolls, buttered corn, applesauce, milk.

Fri., Oct. 9 - Hot dogs on bun, coleslaw, pinto beans, grape pie, milk.

Mon., Oct. 12 - teachers workday.

Tues., Oct. 13 - Spiced luncheon meat w/cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, fruit cocktail, milk.

Wed., Oct. 14 - Meat loaf, hot rolls, seasoned mixed greens, creamy potatoes, sliced peaches, milk.

Thurs., Oct. 15 - Hot dog on bun, coleslaw, Great Northern beans, apricots, milk.

Fri., Oct. 16 - Beef pizza w/cheese, tossed salad w/dressing, buttered corn, applesauce, milk.

Middle School Menu

Thurs., Oct. 8 - Chicken noodle soup, crackers, grilled cheese sandwich, applesauce, milk.

Fri., Oct. 9 - Fish squares, macaroni and cheese, turnip greens, milk.

Mon., Oct. 12 - Cheeseburger, cole slaw, vegie sticks, cake square, milk.

Tues., Oct. 13 - Beans and franks, boiled cabbage, apple sticks, rolls, milk.

Wed., Oct. 14 - School made pizza, tossed salad, buttered corn, milk.

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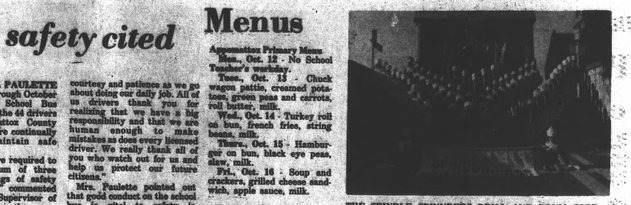


THE SPINDLE SPINNDERS DRILL AND DRUM CORP. of Central Virginia, the "1981 Virginia State Champions" will be participating in the Appomattox Railroad Festival Parade on Saturday, October 10. The Spindle Spinners, a competitive marching unit established in 1972 consists of approximately 50 boys and girls, ages 6 through 19, from the City of Lynchburg and surrounding counties. The group is co-sponsored by the Campbell County Recreation Department and a Parents Organization. The Corps is made up of a Prep Corps and Junior and Senior Baton and Drill Teams instructed by Corps Director Mary Swan, a Color Guard and Junior and Senior Trick-Drill Rifle Team instructed by Ronald Reynolds, Director of Campbell Campbell Recreation, and a Drum Section instructed by Steve Reitenour, Assistant Band Director at Liberty Baptist College.

Kids learn to can

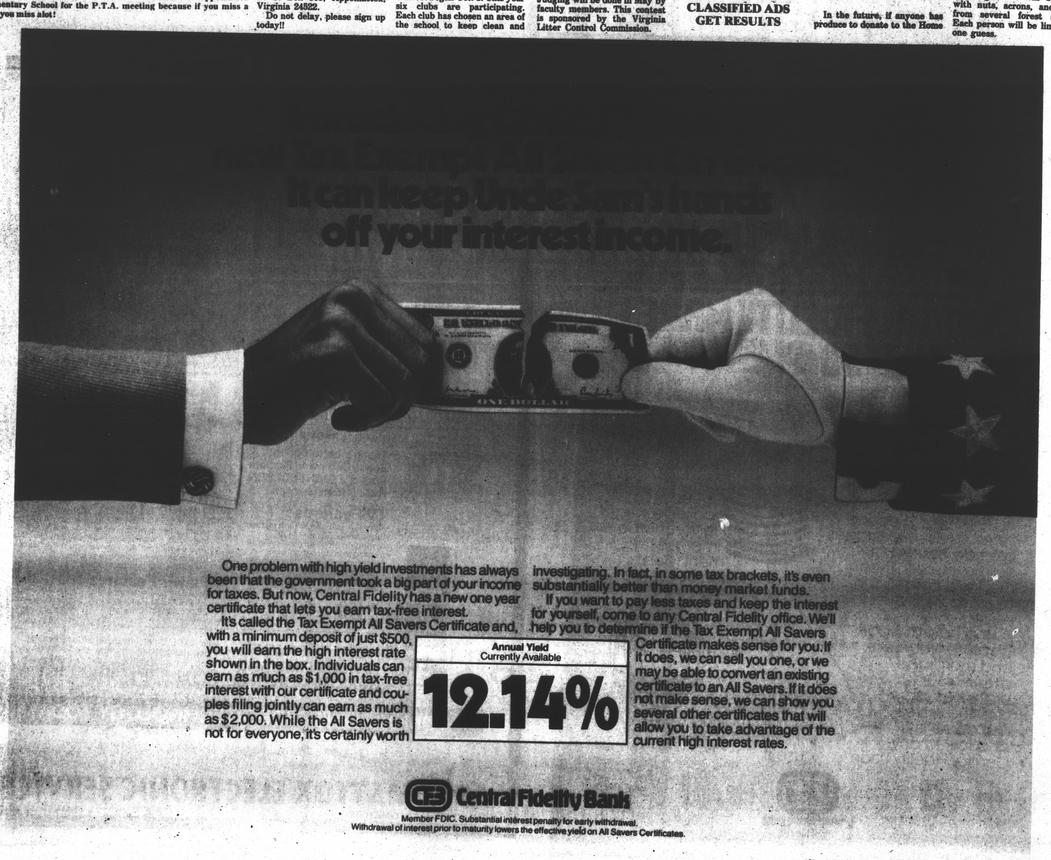
Mrs. Staten's first and fourth period Home Economics classes expressed interest in learning food preservation techniques. In group projects these students received experience in canning tomatoes, making tomato juice, and preparing applesauce at the Appomattox County Cannery. Parents and friends in the community brought the produce for the students to use.

Mrs. Grace Williams, Manager of the Appomattox Cannery, instructed the students in the proper procedures and safety rules in using the cannery. The students completed each step of the canning process for tomatoes and applesauce and were able to observe other types of food preservation that can be done in the cannery. This was a most valuable learning experience for these students.

In the future, if anyone has produce to donate to the Home Economics students for learning experiences please contact Mrs. Chris Staten at 352-8297 or Mrs. Williams at the cannery.

Contest planned

Appomattox Sr. FFA Chapter in cooperation with Virginia Fibre, will sponsor a water accuracy and acron guessing contest. The event will be conducted on Saturday, October 10, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Three winners will be announced on each event with prizes being $25-$15-$10 consecutively. For the water accuracy contest we will use an Indian Pump and a gallon bucket placed 10' apart. The person squirting the most water in the gallon bucket in one minute will be the winner. The jar for the guessing event will be filled with nuts, acrons, and seeds from several forest species. Each person will be limited to one guess.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Bible & Daily Living

Promise of a new covenant

By WILLIAM L. TRIMYER

Promise of a New Covenant

Lesson for October 11, 1981

Bible Study Passage: Jeremiah 31:27-34

INTRODUCTION

Jeremiah has often been referred to as the "weeping prophet." The label fits a man whose concern for his people and their future ran deep. This week we focus upon a grand passage that describes Jeremiah's message of comfort to the people of Israel.

Jeremiah reminds us of the way back to God is by way of personal renewal and commitment. When we have wandered far from "home," we cannot blame anyone or anything but ourselves. There is often the tendency, however, to look for a convenient scapegoat on which to lay the blame for our downfall. Quite often we are our own worst enemy.

It is often said that "confession is good for the soul." There is tremendous truth in such a saying. To confess or purge ourselves of that "excess baggage" which weighs us down is spiritually freeing. Confession enables us to experience wholeness and even wellness, so that confession is good for the soul and the body.

Blessing For All [Jer. 31:27-28]

Our knowledge of biblical history reminds us that Israel was a divided nation. Both kingdoms (Israel and Judah) would experience destruction at the hands of the Assyrians and the Babylonians. When Jeremiah confronts the people, he proclaims a message of comfort. His prophecies reveal both doom and restoration.

Jeremiah assured the people they would return to their homeland and receive the blessing of God's healing of the land and the people. The people of Judah and Israel learned a very painful lesson as a result of their disobedience.

The outcome of the exile and subsequent return to the land must not be construed as God's normal reaction. God was not obligated to restore the exiles to their homeland. The fact that he chose to do that was evidence of his grace at work in the lives of the people. Grace is simply the unmerited favor of God.

INDIVIDUAL REPENTANCE [Jer. 31:29-30]

Corporate guilt is often a safe harbor for the individual. It is much easier to say "we" than to confess "I." The people of Israel and Judah were collectively guilty for their disobedience and rebellion, but the chips fall ultimately upon the individual to accept responsibility for his/her own actions.

Change takes place often at the grass roots level. While groups may sway our thinking and alter our direction, personal commitment to renewal is an absolute essential. A relationship to God in Christ takes place at the personal-individual level before it does at the corporate level.

Blame is the name of the game for some persons all of the time and for each of us some of the time. It is much simpler to adopt a Flip Wilson philosophy and cry, "The devil made me do it." It is safer to lay blame on someone or something outside ourselves rather than own our sin or misbehavior.

PROMISE OF A NEW COVENANT [Jer. 31:31-34]

"Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah...."

Renewal is sweet but often comes about only after much agonizing struggle. Homecoming for the people of Israel and Judah implied a return to the source of their origins-God. It also implied a forsaking of the old gods and a renewed commitment to the God of Israel and Judah.

Newness comes through the death of old things. This notion is later echoed in the affirmation of Paul who said, "If anyone be in Christ, he is a new creature. Behold, the old things pass away and all things become as new." (IICor. 5:17)

The new covenant Jeremiah proclaimed from God was a covenant of forgiveness. Forgiveness is the powerful demonstration of love. God's forgiveness comes because of his abiding love towards his children.

Dr. Trimyer is Chaplain at Burnham Hospital in Champaign, Illinois (WLYP)

The Pastor Speaks

By LEE SIEBERT

Matt. 7:25-27

As a pastor, I am aware of the vital importance of hearing. Anyone who stands before a group of people, regardless of the setting, he or she wonders if the message is being heard.

Just as important is the need to be heard when a dialogue occurs between two people. Whether one is speaking or being spoken too, hearing is a vital part of communication.

The scriptures speak often of the importance of hearing. When the Lord spoke of the seven churches of Asia Minor in Revelaton, each time he said, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."

But perhaps the most revealing meaning of good hearing comes from a parable of Jesus in Matthew. Jesus compared a wise man and a foolish man who built their houses on differing foundations. Now regardless of the central message of this parable, take notice of the statement of Jesus. He said, "He that heareth these sayings of mine and doeth...."

The key words are 'hear' and 'do'. Adding a new demension to the word 'hear', we find that true hearing does not occur, until action is born out of it. Our actions testify what is in our hearts. This lesson can be applied to every facet of our lives.

Lee Seibert is pastor of Pamplin Methodist Charge.

MISS JANICE MOTTLEY, missionary to South Africa, was guest speaker at the Maple Grove Baptist Church, Bent Creek, on Sunday, September 27. Dinner was served in her honor and she was presented with a love gift from members of the church.

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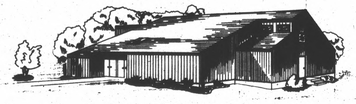

ARTIST'S CONCEPT OF Parish Hall for our Lady of Peace Catholic Church shown is a 4000 square foot multipurpose Hall to be used for worship, Christian education and fellowship. Long range plan includes future construction of sanctuary to the left of building shown. Construction is in progress south of Historical Park at Routes 627 & 631.

Fund drive going well for church

Members of Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church reported their building fund drive well under way, with more than two-thirds of the personal calls having been made. With only partial reports received, more than $2000 has been contributed by the Appomattox business community.

The new Catholic Church, the first to be built in Appomattox is located at the intersection of state roads 631 and 627. The total estimated cost of construction, landscaping and furnishing is $150,000. Of this amount, church members have contributed or pledged slightly more than $60,000. Two grants, one from the Richmond Diocese and one from the Catholic Extension Society, total another $55,000, leaving a balance of $45,000 still to be raised. The goal for the local fund drive is $10,000, and members are encouraged by the response to date.

Dr. A.A. Fratrick, president of the Parish Council of the church, emphasized that no door-to-door solicitation would be made. Friends who would like to help with the building program may mail contributions to: Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, P.O. Box 11, Appomattox, VA 24522. All contributions are tax deductible and each will be acknowledged.

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Church News

Rev. Tom Waddill

Spout Spring homecoming slated

The Spout Spring Baptist Church will be celebrating Homecoming on Oct. 11. Guest speaker for the morning service will be former pastor, the Rev. Tom Waddill, now serving as foreign missionary to Zambia.

Lunch will be served following the morning worship service. Former members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Evergreen slates homecoming

Evergreen Methodist Church will conduct homecoming services Oct. 11. Sunday school will begin at 9:45 a.m. and worship service will begin at 11 a.m. Dinner will be held on the grounds following the worship service.

Revival services will begin Monday night and run through Friday (Oct. 12-16. There will be special music each night. The Rev. Lee Seibert, pastor of the Evergreen Methodist Church, will preach both the homecoming and revival week.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Hanna to address church

John T. Hanna, director of the Virginia Department of Transportation Safety (VDTS) will be the keynote speaker at a regional safety conference, 10 a.m. Wednesday, October 7, Fairview Christian Church, Lynchburg (Campbell and Mosby Avenues).

Sponsored by the Virginia Safety Association Inc., and VDTS, the conference is held in cooperation with local transportation safety commissions for the counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, Campbell and the cities of Bedford and Lynchburg.

Discussion group topics and moderators include: driver education, Billy G. Johnson, supervisor, Driver Education Services, Virginia Department of Education; home safety, Dr. Glen Hetzel, extension specialist, Virginia Polytechnic and State University; industrial safety, Reggie Spradlin, Babcock and Wilcox and H. Don McVey, Lynchburg Foundry; occupational health nursing, Star Evans, R.N., Lynchburg Foundry; transportation safety, Lt. G. M. Morris, Jr., Virginia State Police.

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.

Locals to visit Wilmington

Rev. James Johnson and the members of the First Baptist Church will be traveling to Wilmington, Delaware on Sunday, October 18, 1981.

A chartered bus will be leaving the church at 2:30 a.m. on the morning of Oct. 18 and returning the same day.

Those interested call 352-5012. All are invited.

Women slate seminar

District United Methodist Women will hold a Legislative Seminar on Saturday, October 17, 1981 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 at Fort Hill United Methodist Church, Lynchburg, Va.

Guest speakers will be The Honorable Elliott Shearer, Honorable Joan Jones, John Askew, assistant professor of English and David Hawkins, attorney-at-law.

The public is invited to attend this very educational seminar.

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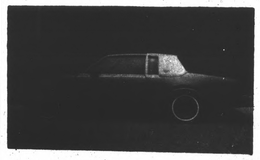
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